Amy Francis, Pharm.D, BCPS

Dr. Francis is a clinical pharmacist at the VA Central Iowa Health Care System. She is a clinical hospital pharmacist and the lead Anticoagulation Pharmacist for the Anticoagulation Clinic. These settings allow her to monitor anticoagulation and perform medication assessments on acute care patients; manage outpatient anticoagulation therapy, and precept fourth-year pharmacy students. She obtained her Doctorate of Pharmacy degree from Drake University in 2007. She is a member of the Iowa Pharmacy Association. Dr. Francis obtained certification as a Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist in December 2011.

Ashley E. Behrens, Pharm D, BCPS

Dr. Behrens obtained her Doctorate of Pharmacy degree from Creighton University in Omaha, NE. Following graduation, she completed a pharmacy practice residency at Iowa Methodist Medical Center in Des Moines, IA. In August 2010, Dr. Behrens transitioned to VA Central Iowa Health Care System and worked in many of the outpatient clinics. She transitioned to Geriatrics/Long Term Care in the Community Living Center (CLC) in June 2011. In December 2011 she received her BCPS certification.

Jenny Phabmixay, PharmD, BCPS

Dr. Phabmixay is the PGY1 pharmacy residency program director and program manager for pharmacoeconomics at VA Central Iowa Health Care System. In her current role with pharmacoeconomics, she coordinates a variety of cost avoidance, cost savings and safety initiatives for the pharmacy department. In addition to serving as residency program director, she is a preceptor for the practice management learning experience. She received her Doctorate of Pharmacy degree at Drake University in Des Moines, IA. She completed a Pharmacy Practice Residency at Mercy Medical Center in Des Moines, IA. She received her board certification in pharmacotherapy in 2008. She is a past president of the Central Iowa Pharmacy Association (CIPA) and is a member of the Iowa Pharmacy Association and American Society of Health System Pharmacists.

Sarah Babb, PharmD, BCPP

Sarah Babb PharmD, BCPP is a clinical pharmacy specialist in mental health. She received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Drake University in 2001. Dr. Babb is a member of the College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists. She serves as a clinical preceptor for students from Drake University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences. Her primary areas of practice include acute psychiatry and long term care.

Linley Mild, PharmD, BCPS

Dr. Mild earned her Doctorate of Pharmacy degree from West Virginia University in Morgantown, WV, in 2013. Following graduation, she completed a PGY-1 pharmacy practice residency at the VA Central Iowa Health Care System. After residency, she continued her career at the Central Iowa VA as an outpatient clinical pharmacist. Her primary areas of practice include operational pharmacy processes and formulary management. Dr. Mild is also a Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist.

Allison Berkland, Pharm.D, BCACP

Dr. Berkland is a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Ambulatory Care at the VA Central lowa Health Care System in Des Moines, IA. She earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Iowa College of Pharmacy in 2007 and completed an ASHP accredited residency in Pharmacy Practice at the Kansas City Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Missouri. Upon completion of residency training, Dr. Berkland held the positions of Adjunct assistant Professor in Ambulatory Care at Drake University College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences where she practiced at Penn Avenue Internal Medicine Clinic. She provided medication therapy management services under a collaborative practice agreement in diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, and anticoagulation. At VA Central Iowa Health Care system, she currently practices in the primary care clinics as a Patient Aligned Care Team Pharmacy Specialist for the White and Geriatrics Teams. She provides medication management services for diabetes, hypertension, smoking cessation, and hyperlipidemia. Dr. Berkland is currently a member of the American Association of Diabetes Educators, and the Iowa Pharmacy Association.

Karmen Jorgensen, Pharm.D, BCPS, BCACP

Dr. Jorgensen is a clinical pharmacy specialist at the VA Central Iowa Health Care System. Dr. Jorgensen received her Bachelors of Science from Iowa State University in 2002 and her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Drake University in 2006. She completed a Specialty Residency in Primary Care at the Iowa City VA Medical Center in 2007. Dr. Jorgensen's primary interests are anticoagulation, dyslipidemia, diabetes, and tobacco cessation. She is a Board Certified Ambulatory Care Pharmacist (BCACP) and a Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist (BCPS).

Elizabeth Paterson, PharmD, BCACP

Dr. Paterson earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Iowa College of Pharmacy in Iowa City, Iowa. Following graduation, she completed a PGY-1 pharmacy practice residency at the VA Central Iowa Health Care System. In July 2013, she continued her career at the Central Iowa VA as an outpatient clinical pharmacist working in the primary care clinics, pharmacy anticoagulation clinic, and Community Living Center (CLC). She accepted her current position as a Patient-Aligned Care Team (PACT) clinical pharmacy specialist in primary care in October of 2013. In her current role, she provides medication therapy management services focusing on diabetes, dyslipidemia, smoking cessation, hypertension, and anticoagulation management. She is a Board Certified Ambulatory Care Pharmacist (BCACP).

Mike Peters, PharmD, BCACP

Dr. Peters earned his Doctorate of Pharmacy degree from Drake University in Des Moines, IA. Following graduation, he completed a PGY-1 pharmacy practice residency at the VA Central Iowa Health Care System. After residency, he continued his career at the Central Iowa VA as an outpatient clinical pharmacist. His primary areas of practice include anticoagulation clinic, formulary management, long term care, and PACT pharmacy clinic. Dr. Peters also participates in the clinical product review committee. He received his board certification in ambulatory care in 2014.

Noelle Johnson, PharmD, BCACP, CGP

Dr. Johnson is a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in Ambulatory Care at the VA Central lowa Health Care System. She currently works as a Clinical Pharmacy Specialist in the Interdisciplinary Pain Management Clinic as well as the Patient Aligned Care Team specializing in pain management, diabetes, dyslipidemia, hypertension, tobacco cessation, and anticoagulation. Dr. Johnson earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Iowa in 2007 and completed an ASHP accredited Ambulatory Care Residency at the Chalmers P. Wylie VA Ambulatory Care Center in Columbus, OH in 2008. Dr. Johnson obtained her Certification in Geriatric Pharmacy (CGP) in 2010. In 2011 she received her Anticoagulation Certificate and became a Board Certified Ambulatory Care Pharmacist in 2012. In 2012, Dr. Johnson was nominated and awarded the American Society of Consultant Pharmacist Pain Management Traineeship. She is the facility co-lead for the Opioid Safety Initiative and serves on several VA Central Iowa committees. Dr. Johnson is a member of the Iowa Pharmacy Association, American Pharmacy Association, American Society of Consultant Pharmacist, and the American College of Clinical Pharmacy.

Darshan Patel, PharmD

Dr. Patel earned his Doctorate of Pharmacy degree from Midwestern University in Chicago, Illinois. He is currently employed as a clinical pharmacist with the VA Central lowa Health Care System. He has worked in outpatient clinics and the anticoagulation clinic at the VA and currently works as a clinical pharmacist in acute care.

Ashley Haake, PharmD, BCPS

Dr. Haake earned her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Iowa in 2011. In 2013 she completed a geriatrics focused residency with the North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System. Dr. Haake is a Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist who is an acute care clinical pharmacist at the VA Central Iowa Health Care System. She performs daily medication assessments and works closely with the interdisciplinary team members to provide care to acute care patients including critical care and surgery patients. She is a member of the Iowa Pharmacy Association, American Society of Health System Pharmacists, and American Pharmacists Association.